- 1. (Amended) A composition comprising a calix[n]pyrrole macrocycle that has n pyrrole rings linked in α positions via sp³ hybridized *meso*-carbon atoms, the *meso*-carbon atoms bound to an atom other than hydrogen, where n is 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8; the macrocycle noncovalently-complexed to a molecular or anionic species.
- 4. (Amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein the calix[n]pyrrole macrocycle has structure I:

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wherein

when n is 4, p = q = r = s = 0, $R_1 - R_{16}$ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and $R_A - R_D$ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

- when n is 5, p = 1, q = r = s = 0, R_1 to R_{20} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and $R_A R_E$ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;
- when n is 6, p = q = 1, r = s = 0, R_1 to R_{24} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and $R_A R_F$ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;
- when n is 7, p = q = r = 1, s = 0, R_1 to R_{28} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and $R_A R_G$ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;
- when n is 8, p = q = r = s = 1, R_1 to R_{32} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and $R_A R_H$ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;
- i) hydrogen, halide, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, alkylaryl, nitro, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxy, hydroxyalkoxy, formyl, acyl, phospho, hydroxyalkenyl, hydroxyalkynyl, saccharide, carboxy, carboxyalkyl, carbox yamidealkyl, amido, aminoalkyl, carbox yamide, amino, phosphoalkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, tetrahydropyran, tetrahydrothiapyran, thioalkyl, haloalkyl, haloalkenyl, haloalkynyl, alkyl ester, a site-directing molecule, a catalytic group, a reporter group, a binding agent, or a couple that is coupled to a sitedirecting molecule, to a catalytic group, to a reporter group, or to a binding agent;
- ii) hydrogen, alkyl, aminoalkyl, alkylsulfone, carboxy alkyl, carboxyamidealkyl, phospho alkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, haloalkyl, aryl, N-oxide, dialkylamino, carbamate, or arylsulfonyl;

wherein odd-numbered R-substituents are other than hydrogen.

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91. (Amended) A composition comprising a calix[m]pyridino[n]pyrrole macrocycle that has m pyridine rings and n pyrrole rings linked in α positions via sp³ hybridized *meso*-carbon atoms, the *meso*-carbon atoms bound to an atom other than hydrogen, where m + n is 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 and m and n are other than 1 and 3 or 2 and 2, respectively; the macrocycle noncovalently complexed to a molecular or cationic species.

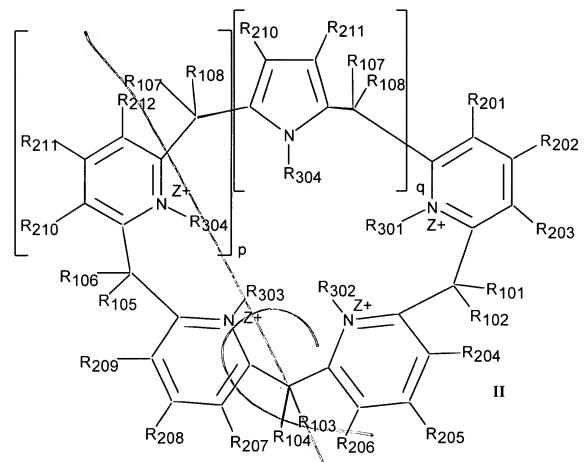
Claims 95-117 were added as follows.



- 95. The composition of Claim 4 wherein at least two substituents of paragraph i) or ii) are coupled to form a bridged structure, and when coupled to form a bridged structure, nonbridged substituents are as defined in paragraph i) or ii).
- 96. The composition of Claim 4 wherein the calix[n]pyrrole macrocycle is β-substituted where at least one even-numbered R-substituent is other than hydrogen.
- 97. The composition of Claim 4 wherein at least one odd numbered R substituent is carboxy.
- 98. The composition of Claim 4 wherein at least one odd numbered R substituent is alkyl ester.
- 99. The composition of Claim 4 wherein at least one even numbered R substituent is carboxy.
- 100. The composition of Claim 4 wherein at least one even numbered R substituent is alkyl ester.
- 101. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with an anionic species and the anionic species is a halide anion.
- 102. The composition of Claim 101 wherein the halide anion is chloride.
- 103. The composition of Claim 101 wherein the halide anion is fluoride.
- 104. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with an anionic species and the anionic species is a molecule containing a phosphate.
- 105. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with an anionic species and the anionic species is an oxoanion.
- 106. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with an anionic species and the anionic species is a radioactive anion.

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- 107. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with a molecular species and the molecular species is an alcohol.
- 108. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with a molecular species and the molecular species is urea.
- 109. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with a molecular species and the molecular species is an ion pair.
- 110. The composition of Claim 1 where the macrocycle is complexed with a molecular species and the molecular species is a zwitterion.
- A composition comprising a calix[m]pyridino[n]pyrrole macrocycle that has m pyridine rings and n pyrrole rings linked in α positions via sp³ hybridized *meso*-carbon atoms, the *meso*-carbon atoms bound to an atom other than hydrogen, where m + n is 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 and m and n are other than zero; the macrocycle noncovalently-complexed to a molecular or anionic species forming a supramolecular ensemble.
- 112. The composition of Claim 111 wherein the calix[m]pyridino[n]pyrrole macrocycle has structure II:



wherein m designates a number of pyridines in the macrocycle and n designates a number of pyrroles in the macrocycle;

m+n=4;

m is other than 1 or 2;

when m is 4, n = 0, p = 1, q = 0, R_{101} to R_{108} and R_{201} to R_{212} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R_{301} - R_{304} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

when m is 3, n = 1, p = 0, q = 1, R₁₀₁ to R₁₀₈ and R₂₀₁ to R₂₁₁ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R₃₀₁ - R₃₀₄ are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

i) hydrogen, halide, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, alkylaryl, nitro, phospho, formyl, acyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxy, hydroxyalkoxy, hydroxyalkenyl, hydroxyalkynyl, saccharide, carboxy, carboxyalkyl, carbox yamide, carboxyamidealkyl, amino, amido, aminoalkyl, phosphoalkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, tetrahydropyran, tetrahydrothiapyran, thioalkyl, haloalkyl, haloalkenyl, haloalkynyl, alkyl ester, a site-directing molecule, a catalytic group, a reporter group, a binding agent, or a couple that is coupled to a sitedirecting molecule, to a catalytic group, to a reporter group, or to a binding agent;

ii) a lone pair of electrons, hydrogen, alkyl, aminoalkyl, alkylsulfone, carboxy alkyl, carboxyamidealkyl, phospho alkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, halo alkyl, aryl, N-oxide, dialkylamino, carbamate, or arylsulfonyl;

or

at least two substituents are coupled to form a bridged structure, and when coupled to form a bridged structure, nonbridged substituents are as defined herein in paragraph i) or ii);

wherein R₁₀₁-R₁₀₈ are other than hydrogen;

wherein when R₃₀₁-R₃₀₄ is other than a lone pair of electrons, Z is 1;

wherein when R₃₀₁-R₃₀₄ is a lone pair of electrons, Z is 0.

113. The composition of Claim 111 where

m+n=5, 6, 7, or 8;

each pyridine or pyrrole α -carbon is bound to another pyridine or pyrrole α -carbon via one non hydrogen-linked sp³ hybridized meso-carbon;

each sp³ hybridized meso-carbon is further independently bonded to a halide, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, alkylaryl, nitro, phospho, formyl, acyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxy, hydroxyalkoxy, hydroxyalkynyl, saccharide, carboxy, hydroxyalkenyl, carboxyalkyl, carboxyamide, carboxyamidealkyl, amino, amido, aminoalkyl, phosphoalkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl thioalkyl, haloalkyl, haloalkenyl, sulfide, tetrahydropyran, haloalkynyl or alkyl ester group; to a site-directing molecule; to a catalytic group; to a reporter group; to a binding agent; or to a couple that is coupled to a site-directing molecule, to a catalytic group, to a reporter group, or to a binding agent;

each pyridine β carbon, pyrrole β carbon and pyridine γ carbon is independently bonded to a hydrogen, halide, hydroxyl, alkyl,

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alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, alkylaryl, nitro, phospho, formyl, acyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxy, hydroxyalkoxy, hydroxyalkenyl, hydroxyalkynyl, saccharide, carboxy, carboxyalkyl, carboxyamide, carboxyamidealkyl, amino, amido, aminoalkyl, phosphoalkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, tetrahydropyran, thioalkyl, haloalkyl, haloalkenyl, haloalkynyl, alkyl ester group; to a site-directing molecule; to a catalytic group; to a reporter group; to a binding agent; or to a couple that is coupled to a site-directing molecule; to a catalytic group; to a reporter group, or to a binding agent;

each pyridine or pyrrole nitrogen is bound to a lone pair of electrons, hydrogen, alkyl, aminoalkyl, alkylsulfone, carboxy alkyl, carboxyamidealkyl, phospho alkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, halo alkyl, aryl, N-oxide, dialkylamino, carbamate, or arylsulfonyl;

or

at least one sp³ hybridized *meso*-carbon, pyridine β -carbon, pyridine γ carbon, pyridine γ carbon, pyridine nitrogen or pyridine nitrogen is coupled to form a bridged structure to itself or to another sp³ hybridized *meso*-carbon, pyridine β -carbon, pyridine γ carbon, pyridine nitrogen, or pyridine nitrogen; and when coupled to form a bridged structure, non-bridged atoms are as defined for an sp³ hybridized *meso*-carbon, pyridine β -carbon, pyridine β -carbon, pyridine γ carbon, pyridine γ carbon, pyridine nitrogen, or pyridine nitrogen.

114. A composition comprising a calix[m]pyridine macrocycle that has m pyridine rings linked in α positions via sp3 hybridized meso-carbon atoms, the meso-carbon atoms bound to an atom other than hydrogen, where m is 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8; the macrocycle noncovalently complexed to a molecular or cationic species.

115. The composition of Claim 114 wherein the calix[m]pyridine macrocycle has structure III:

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wherein m is 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8;

when m is 4, p = q = r = s = 0, R_{101} to R_{112} and R_{201} to R_{208} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R_{301} - R_{304} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

when m is 5, p = 1, q = r = s = 0, R_{101} to R_{115} and R_{201} to R_{210} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R_{301} - R_{305} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

when m is 6, p=q=1, r=s=0, R_{101} to R_{118} and R_{201} to R_{212} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R_{301} - R_{306} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

when m is 7, p = q = r = 1, s = 0, R_{101} to R_{121} and R_{201} to R_{214} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R_{301} - R_{307} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

when m is 8, p = q = r = s = 1, R_{101} to R_{124} and R_{201} to R_{216} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph i) below, and R_{301} - R_{308} are independently substituents as listed in paragraph ii) below;

- i) hydrogen, halide, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, alkylaryl, nitro, phospho, formyl, acyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxy, hydroxyalkoxy, hydroxyalkenyl, hydroxyalkynyl, saccharide, carboxy, carboxyalkyl, carboxyamide, carboxyamidealkyl, amino, amido, aminoalkyl, phosphoalkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, tetrahydrotetrapyran, thioalkyl, haloalkyl, haloalkenyl, haloalkynyl, alkyl ester, a site-directing molecule, a catalytic group, a reporter group, a binding agent, or a couple that is coupled to a site-directing molecule, to a catalytic group, to a reporter group, or to a binding agent;
- ii) a lone pair of electrons, hydrogen, alkyl, aminoalkyl, alkylsulfone, carboxy alkyl, carboxyamidealkyl, phospho alkyl, alkyl sulfoxide, alkyl sulfone, alkyl sulfide, halo alkyl, aryl, N-oxide, dialkylamino, carbamate, or arylsulfonyl; and

or

at least two substituents are coupled to form a bridged structure, and when coupled to form a bridged structure, nonbridged substituents are as defined herein in paragraph i) or ii) other than for bridged substituents;

wherein R₂₀₁-R₂₁₆ are other than hydrogen;

wherein when R₃₀₁-R_{30m} is other than a lone pair of electrons, Z is 1; and

wherein when R₃₀₁-R_{30m} is a lone pair of electrons, Z is 0.

116. The composition of Claim 91 wherein the macrocycle is complexed with a cationic species and the cationic species is a lanthanide or actinide cation.

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